#### **Senate Transportation and Safety Committee 1**

# Amendment No. 1 to SB1674

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AMEND Senate Bill No. 1674

House Bill No. 1468\*

by deleting all language after the enacting clause and substituting instead the following:

SECTION 1. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 55-9-602(a), is amended by deleting subdivisions (1)-(3) and substituting instead the following new subdivision (1) and renumbering the remaining subdivision accordingly:

- (1) Notwithstanding § 55-9-603, any person transporting any child through twelve (12) years of age measuring less than four feet nine inches (4'9") in height, in a motor vehicle upon a road, street, or highway of this state is responsible for the protection of the child and properly using an appropriate child passenger restraint system or belt positioning booster seat system meeting federal motor vehicle safety standards as follows:
  - (A) Any child under two (2) years of age shall be properly secured in a child passenger restraint system in a rear facing position in the rear seat, if available, or according to the vehicle manufacturer's instructions, until one (1) of the following occurs, whichever occurs first:
    - (i) The child reaches two (2) years of age;
    - (ii) The child's height reaches the limit allowed by the instructions on the rear facing child passenger restraint system; or
    - (iii) The child's weight reaches the limit allowed by the instructions on the rear facing child passenger restraint system;
  - (B) Any child, two through four (2-4) years of age, or any child, under five (5) years of age whose height or weight equals or exceeds the limit allowed by

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the instructions on the rear facing child passenger restraint system pursuant to subdivision (a)(1)(A)(ii) or (a)(1)(A)(iii), shall be properly secured in a child passenger restraint system with a five-point harness in a forward facing position in the rear seat, if available, or according to the child safety restraint system or vehicle manufacturer's instructions, until one (1) of the following occurs, whichever occurs first:

- (i) The child's weight reaches forty pounds (40 lbs.);
- (ii) The child's height reaches the limit allowed by the instructions on the forward facing child passenger restraint system; or
- (iii) The child's weight reaches the limit allowed by the instructions on the forward facing child passenger restraint system; and
- (C) Any child, five through twelve (5-12) years of age, weighing forty pounds (40 lbs.) or more, or whose height or weight equals or exceeds the limit allowed by the instructions on the forward facing child passenger restraint system with a five-point harness pursuant to subdivision (a)(1)(B)(ii) or (a)(1)(B)(iii), shall be properly secured using a belt positioning booster seat system in the rear seat, if available, or according to the booster seat system or vehicle manufacturer's instructions, until the child's height reaches four feet nine inches (4'9") tall.

SECTION 2. This act shall take effect July 1, 2016, the public welfare requiring it.